IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA

WRIT PETITION NO. 325 OF 2005

GOA GOLF CLUB PVT.LTD.,DONAPAULA GOA ....Petitioners

Versus

STATE OF GOA THROUGH ITS CHIEF SECRETARY, PANAJI GOA ....Respondents

Shri S.G. Dessai, Sr. Advocate with Shri Parag Rao,Advocate for the Petitioner.

Mr. S.S. Kantak, Advocate General With Ms. R. Chodankar, Addl. Govt. Advocate for the Respondent.

Coram:- R. M. LODHA &
N. A. BRITTO, JJ.

Date:- 5th September, 2005

P.C.:

Heard Mr. S.G. Dessai, learned Senior Counsel for the petitioner and Mr. Kantak, learned Advocate General.

Keeping in view the controversy involved in the Writ Petition, we are of the considered opinion that it is not necessary to keep this Writ Petition pending and that the interest of justice will be subserved by the following Order :-

i) In addition to the reply that has already been filed by the petitioner to the show cause Notice dated 12.8.05, the petitioner is permitted to file additional reply within one week from today.

ii) The State Government [we are informed that under the Rules of Business, Minister (Home) is the concerned authority] who shall give personal hearing to the petitioner and take decision thereon.

iii) Until the disposal of the matter by the State Government and for a period of two weeks thereafter if the Order is adverse to the petitioner, the petitioner shall not be asked to suspend operation of Electronic Slot Machines.

Writ Petition is disposed of accordingly.

R. M. LODHA, J.

N. A. BRITTO, J.